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ELECTION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1887.

FOR GOVERNOR,

JOHN B. PAGE, of Rutland.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

STEPHEN THOMAS, of West Fairlee.

FOR TREASURER,

JOHN A. PAGE, of Montpelier.

FOR CLERK,

Essex County Convention.

The Republican county of Essex, are hereby requested to meet in mass convention at the Court House in Montpelier, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of July, 1887, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for county officers for the ensuing year.

S. A. HARRIS,

J. M. HARTLEY,

W. M. CHANDLER,

A. T. HOLBROOK,

C. E. BENSON,

County Committee.

Callahan, June 1, 1887.

The Railroad Excursion.

DEAR CARR: I had time to drop you

but a line from St. Albans last week

in regard to the excursion of some gentlemen

interested in a new trunk line of

railway from Portland to Ogdensburg.

All who habitually read this paper are

fully aware that such a line of air rail

way communication has been for some

time agitated, and the success of the en-

terprise is now so well assured that quite a

large number of men interested have

made this excursion to look over the

projected route and to ascertain if the

business men of the Lake cities, and the

managers of connecting roads would co-

operate with them in the speedy comple-

tion of this great project. The result of

this reconnaissance in force has been highly

encouraging, and I think I may say sat-

isfactory to the friends of the enterprise.

But to begin at St. Albans: On

Wednesday morning the party was assem-

bled by the addition to it of Ex-Gov.

Smith, Hon. W. C. Smith, His Excellency

Gov. Dillingham, and Mr. A. R. Ransom

of the *Advertiser*, and after a

drive along the beautiful and thriving

road, and taking a hasty look about the

railroad shops and offices—which, by the

way, are probably the most perfect in

design and construction of any in New

England—the party proceeded to Rouse's

Point. At this place the delegation was

met by Mr. D. W. C. Brown, superin-

tendent of the Ogdensburg and Lake

Champlain railroad, who did the honors

for the party over his road in the most

gratifying manner.

On arriving at Ogdensburg, about four

o'clock, the party were immediately taken

on a tour of inspection about the

wharves and depot grounds. A new el-

evator now being constructed, capable of

discharging ten thousand bushels of grain

per hour, was one of the objects of interest.

The gentlemen were then invited on

board a steamer and taken up the

harbor, giving them a fine view of the

city and the country both sides the river.

The abundant facilities for doing an im-

mense commerce, and the great natural

advantages of this point, were often re-

marked upon.

After dinner at the Seymour House,

in which several gentlemen of Ogdens-

burg participated, an impromptu meeting

was organized, at which Hon. A. B. James,

Judge of the Supreme court pre-

sided. In a brief address the chairman

welcomed the delegation to their city,

and that they might know more fully the

object of the visit and the present state of

the new railroad enterprise, he asked that

Gov. Washburne of Maine might be

heard from in the matter.

Gov. Washburne arose, and in a few

pointed and forcible words, explained the

origin, progress and present condition of

the enterprise. The Governor was fol-

lowed by C. W. Willard, Esq., Gov.

Dillingham, Gen. Anderson, Col. Judson

of Ogdensburg, Hon. John Neal, J. B.

Brown, Esq., Col. Lynch, Hon. W. C.

Smith, and Hon. C. J. Gilman of Brus-

wick, Me. The meeting was thus pro-

longed to a late hour, and was, I think,

of mutual interest to both the citizens

and their guests.

On Thursday morning the party left

for Oswego. At Watertown it was

joined by W. C. Pierpont, Esq., M.

Massey, Esq., (president and vice pres-

ident of the Rome and Watertown rail-

road) and S. D. Hungerford, Esq., at

Adams. At the Oswego station the

party was received by Hon. Simeon

Bates, Mayor, and several citizens, and

escorted to the Fitzhugh hotel where din-

ner was in waiting. After dinner the

delegation repaired to the rooms of the

Board of Trade. The meeting was called

to order by Hon. A. H. Failing, pres-

ident of the Board, who in a few per-

sistent remarks welcomed the guests to

the hospitalities of the city, and then called

upon Ex-Gov. Washburne of Maine to

state the object of this visit. In a very

lucid and eloquent manner Gov. Wash-

burne detailed the cause of their appear-

ance at Oswego. He spoke somewhat at

length of the wants and facilities of Por-

land—of its facilities as a shipping port, its excellent harbor and abundant accom-

modations, and its want of sufficient rail-

way communication, especially to the

west. He gave in brief a history of what

had been done towards a new line of

railway connecting Portland with the

great lakes, and asked for co-operation

and material aid to complete the project.

Hon. A. P. Grant and Mayor Bates re-

sponded giving encouragement that they

would co-operate, and also have

railway communication opened west to

Niagara as soon as it could be accom-

plished east to Portland.

Brief and pertinent remarks were made

by Ex-Gov. J. G. Smith and Judge Pol-

lard of Vermont, and J. B. Brown, Esq.,

and Hon. C. J. Gilman of Maine. After-

wards the party were taken in carriages

about the city, viewing the harbor, lake,

and several other points of interest, in-

cluding the elegant residences of Messrs.

Delos DeWolf and Theodore Irwin,

where they were invited in and enter-

tained in the most princely style.

At six o'clock the New England dele-

gation turned their faces away from the

setting sun, leaving the cities of Oswego

and Ogdensburg, more than ever im-

pressed with the importance of hastening

forward the great enterprise of a new

line of railway communication which

should connect the best Atlantic seaport,

and the one nearest Oswego, with the

outlet of the great inland seas—thus

making a shorter and cheaper avenue of

communication between these points than

any now completed, or that can be com-

pleted hereafter. To say that the party

from New England were satisfied that

the object of the trip was accomplished,

would be no more than the truth: while

to represent that the citizens and leading

business men of Ogdensburg and Oswego

received the delegation with the greatest

cordiality, and entered with spirit into the

subject which brought them there, prom-

ising them hearty co-operation, and God

speed in the great enterprise, would be

no more than too just praise.

But I find my letter is getting lengthy,

and I must reserve the remainder of the

railroad excursion trip for another week.

C. M. S.

The New Hampshire Legislature

was organized on the 8th inst. Gen.

Simeon G. Griffin, of Keene, was elected

Speaker of the house by 75 majority over

the democratic nominee; and Wm. T.

Parker was chosen President of the sen-

ate. Gov. Smyth delivered his valien-

tary to the legislature, and Gov. Walter

Harrison his annual message. Some

half dozen or more military companies,

with bands of instrumental music, were

in attendance upon the inauguration ser-

vice. A good man retires from the

chair of state in New Hampshire, and

is succeeded by another equally accept-

able and worthy of the place. Gen. Har-

ri-man was, in other days, a leader of the

democratic party in New Hampshire,

but when the south appealed to arms to

subvert the government he entered the

army and fought well for its preser-

vation. Like most every other man of

democratic proclivities who served the

country in the army, he became a con-

vert to republican principles, and is now

recognized as one of the strong men of

the republican party.

GEN. SHERIDAN AND GOV. WELLS.—

On the 7th Gen. Sheridan sent a note to

Gov. Wells, by J. W. Forsyth, one of

his staff, telling him that he had sent

Forsyth to meet him at the Governor's

residence, and that he had considered

the note equivalent to ejection. Wells,

after reading the note, said "Gen. For-

syth, I surrender the office I hold only

to the sword." Governor Flanders, ap-

pointed governor by Gen. Sheridan, there-

upon assumed the office of governor of

Louisiana. It is reported from Wash-

ington that President Johnson will not

at present, reverse the action of Gen.

Sheridan. The act is reported to be

agreeable to the wishes of the loyal peo-

ple of the state.

DREAMS OF CHILDHOOD.—Under this

head a contributor at Lyndon sends us

the old poem, "Oft in the still night,"

word for word, and the following note:

"*Ed. Caledonian:* Feeling homesome to-

day, I composed the foregoing poetry.

Please insert it in your columns as orig-

inal matter, and send me a copy of your

paper. With your permission I would

like to contribute original poetry to your

paper now and then, and at the com-

memoration of another volume subscribe

for the same."

The genius of our poetic friend is only

equalled by his "cheek." Keep on com-

posing "original" poetry, my dear sir,

and ere long you will be sought out to

write for the Ledger.

ARTEMAS WARD.—The body of Ar-

temas Ward, (Charles F. Brown) was

interred at Watertown, Me., on the 6th.

Ward died in England, and his remains

were sent to this country enclosed in four

coffins—first shell, second zinc, third

lead, and the last oak—all weighing 900

pounds.

Cole, the man who shot Gen. Hicox,

has been examined and committed for

trial. The act was infamous. There is

no justification for a man who takes the

law into his own hands for the punish-

ment of real or imaginary wrongs. It is

suggested that Cole's wife ought to suffer,

in part, at least, the punishment her hus-

band is likely to endure.

The Bank of England has reduced its

rate of discount to 2½ per cent. We

should like a million at the rate, as a

permanent loan.

They have had another severe fire

at Burlington. About half-past nine

o'clock Tuesday evening, the barns of the

hotel known as the Howard House were

found to be on fire, and before the de-

vouring element could be stayed, the hotel,

and ten other buildings, were de-

stroyed. Loss estimated at \$30,000;

partially covered by insurance.

Good Templar Convention.

St. JOHNSBURY, May 30, 1887.

Caledonia County Convention of I. O.

of G. T. met at Harmony Lodge hall,

pursuant to call of W. S.

The following officers were appointed

by the chair:

St. Peterson, Harmony Lodge W. V. T.

Bro. I. S. Hall, " W. C.

Bro. Randall, Passumpsic " W. S.

Bro. Huntley, Moose River " P. W. C. T.

St. Martin, Harmony " W. I. G.

Bro. S. W. Hall, " W. O. G.

Bro. Marsh, Cabot " W. M.

St. Dean, Harmony " W. D. M.

On motion of Bro. Walter a nominat-

ing committee was appointed by the chair

consisting of Bro. Chase, Moose River

lodge, Bro. Cassino and Sister Dean of

Harmony lodge. Motioned by Bro. Hall

that the next convention be held at

Lyndon Centre—passed.

Reports from the different lodges. Bro.

Hall of Harmony lodge first called. He

said that he was very sorry that there

were so few of that lodge present but

spoke encouragingly of the prospects of

that lodge.

Bro. Marsh of Cabot lodge reported

the lodge in good working order, there

was a strong opposition on account of

scarcity, but still bound to live.

Bro. Chase of Moose River lodge re-

ported some members expelled, some sus-

pended, but doing good work. Ram

holes pretty much closed up. Labor

agents of the true stamp and under a

partial control of the order. Had no

part of outside opposition.

Bro. Randall of Passumpsic lodge re-

ported an organization elected under fa-

vorable circumstances, numbering 22 at

its organization April 21, and good hopes

for the future.

West Burke being called for, no mem-

ber being present, Bro. Walter of Har-

mony lodge unofficially reported. It was

laid upon the shelf.

Bro. Huntley of Moose River was

called upon to report for Harmony lodge

but not being a member was un-

prepared to report—had not visited the

lodge for a number of months.

Bro. Cassino of Harmony lodge spoke

for the Harmony lodge, as being in a

flourishing condition—their best evidence

being the hotel keeper and all his family

belonging to the lodge.

The following resolutions were read

by Bro. Cassino.

1st. Resolved, That the strength of our order

depends not so much upon the numbers, as upon the

quality of the members.

2d. That we should work more earnestly to ac-

complish the great work of our order, and

that we should be more united in our efforts.

3d. That we will, where possible, elect a repre-

sentative to all our lodges, for the good of the

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Terrible Calamity in Phila-

delphia.

A Large Number of Killed and many

Wounded.

PHILADELPHIA, June 6, 1887.

A frightful accident occurred here this

evening, by which a large number of

persons have been killed and many in-

jured. A steam boiler in the establish-

ment of Geasey and Ward, sash and

blind manufacturers at 1012 Sansom

street, exploded at about 6 o'clock,

demolishing the whole building, which

was five stories in height.

The boiler had been complained of as

not being in good order. At 4 P. M.

the mill was stopped to pack the engine

piston. The hands were laying around

idle and some had gone home when the

explosion occurred. The building was

entirely demolished and considerable dam-

age done to the neighboring houses by

flying fragments.

As soon as the terror excited by the

report had partially subsided, persons ran

to the spot, and discovered that nothing

remained of the mill building in the rear

except a portion of the eastern wall and

the chimney stack. The site of the struc-

ture was one mass of ruins, almost level

with the pavement. The greater portion

of the boiler remained, having been frac-

tured transversely.

It had moved sufficiently south to de-

stroy the foundation walls of the mill,

and thus insure its destruction. No trace

of a living being could be seen, and, to

add to the horror of the scene, smoke

commenced issuing from the pile, the fire

resulting, it is believed, from a small

force and furnace used by Miller & Reed-

er, in the fourth story.

An alarm of fire brought the firemen

to the spot in large numbers, and the

search was pressed vigorously. In a few

minutes Thomas W. Jenkins, engineer;

John Gorman, fireman; James Todd,

George Clark and John Kresbach were

taken out alive and removed to the Penn-

sylvia Hospital. James Gorman, taken

out at the same time, was able to be

sent to his home in an ambulance,

after having his wounds dressed at the

St. Lawrence Hotel. Jenkins, the en-

gineer, was taken from under a pile of

ruins, not far from where the boiler

stood. He was badly burned about the

arms and injured internally.

By 8 o'clock the first body was found,

and up to midnight ten bodies have been

recovered. Most of the remains were

past all